UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

LUIS BATTISTINI,

Petitioner,

-against-

9:05-CV-1246 (LEK/RFT)

WILLIAM BROWN, Superintendent,

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Court following a Report-Recommendation filed on June 2, 2008 by the Honorable Randolph F. Treece, United States Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and L.R. 72.3 of the Northern District of New York. Report-Rec. (Dkt. No. 14). After ten days from the service thereof, the Clerk has sent the entire file to the undersigned, including the objections by Petitioner, which were filed on June 20, 2008. Objections (Dkt. No. 15).

It is the duty of this Court to "make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). "A [district] judge... may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." <u>Id.</u> This Court has considered the objections and has undertaken a de novo review of the record and has determined that the Report-Recommendation should be approved for the reasons stated therein.

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Report-Recommendation (Dkt. No. 14) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED** in its **ENTIRETY**; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Amended Petition for a writ of habeas corpus (Dkt. No. 3) is **DENIED**; and it is further

ORDERED, that because the Court finds Petitioner has not made a "substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right" pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2), no certificate of appealability should issue with respect to any of Petitioner's claims. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2) ("A certificate of appealability may issue . . . only if the applicant has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right."); see also Ludicore v. New York State Div. of Parole, 209 F.3d 107, 112 (2d Cir. 2000); and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk serve a copy of this Order on all parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: September 05, 2008

Albany, New York

Lawrence E. Kahn U.S. District Judge